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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: BUTROVA AND KOVALEV VISITS

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1. CORROBORATE BUTROVA AND KOVALEV SCHEDULED DEPART
MOSCOW NOVEMBER 4 VIA JAL 441, ARRIVING PARIS 1810
FOR OVERNIGHT, DEPARTING VIA TWA 891 AT 1145 NOVEMBER
5, ARRIVING WASHINGTON 1440.

2. TRAVEL ADVANCE OF \$80 PROVIDED.

3. SUGGEST ADD TO SCHEDULE EVENING AT NEW NY MUSICAL
"CHORUS LINE." MINCULT HAS OFTEN SUGGESTED MUSICAL
AS PAG, AND BUTROVA HAS PRAISED GENRE IN RECENT CON-
VERSATIONS.

4. IN VIEW SUNY'S CONTINUED INTEREST INCREASING EX-
CHANGES WITH USSR, AS REFLECTED CONVERSATIONS WITH MGU
RECTOR KHOKHLOV, AND KNOWING SUNY'S DESIRE DEVELOP
REGULAR SERIES THEATER AND GRAPHICS EXHIBIT EXCHANGES
WITH USSR, SUGGEST PREFERABLY BUTROVA AND KOVALEV
VISIT ALBANY OR SUNY REP BE THEIR HOST AT SUNY'S NYC
OR WASHINGTON OFFICES.

5. DISCUSSION WITH BUTROVA WOULD AFFORD OPPORTUNITY
SUPPORT SUCH INFORMAL EXCHANGES AS SUGGESTED TO MINCULT
IN OCTOBER 2 LETTER OF SONIA MOORE, PRESIDENT OF THE
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AMERICAN CENTER FOR STANISLAVSKI THEATER ART, INC.,

AND WHICH KNOWN TO CU/EE.

6. EXCHANGE BETWEEN SEATTLE OPERA AND GOSKONCERT,
DESCRIBED IN MOXHAY TO HESS LETTER OF OCTOBER 24, PERHAPS
BEST FOLLOWED UP IN DISCUSSION WITH BUTROVA AND KOVALEV.
MATERIAL ENCLOSED FOR KOKONIN PASSED ON TO HIM, BUT
LOCAL ACTION OFFICE WOULD IN ANY CASE BE MINCULT NOT
GOSKONCERT.

7. MRS. BUTROVA HOPES DISCUSS WITH MS. BARBARA SHISSLER
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA ART GALLERY THE ELABORATE
ART EXHIBIT EXCHANGE PROPOSED IN RECENT CORRESPONDENCE
WITH MINCULT. COPIES PROVIDED TO DEPT.
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